come from them to modernise and become cost competitive in changed economic scenario.

(c) and (d) Yes, Sir. The details are enclosed in the Annexure-[*See* Appendix 185, Annexure No, 26]

भारतीय इस्पात प्राधिकरण लिमिटेड में रिक्त पद

901. **श्री मुनव्वर हसन: क्या इस्पात और खान मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि:**

(क) भारतीय इस्पात प्राधिकरण लिमिटेड (स्टील अथॉरिटी आफ इण्डिया) में विभिन्न श्रेणियों में रिक्त पड़े पदों का ब्यौरा क्या है;

(ख) ये पद कब से रिक्त पड़े है तथा इन्हें अब तक भरे नहीं जाने के क्या कारण हैं;

(ग) सरकार रिक्त पड़े इन पदों को भरने के लिए क्या कदम उठा रही है; और

(घ) रिक्त पदों को कब तक भर लिया जाएगा?

इस्पात तथा खान मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री (श्री रमेश बैस): (क) से (घ) स्टील अथॉरिटी ऑफ इण्डिया लिमिटेड (सेल) में कोई पद रिक्त नहीं है। तथापि, जनशक्ति को युक्तिसंगत बनाने की दृष्टि से पृथक किए गए कर्मचारियों के कारण रिक्त हुए पद या तो निम्न स्तर पर संचालित हैं अथवा उपयुक्त पदों के साथ समाहित किए जा रहे हैं।

Action plan for construction of houses for the poor

902. SHRIMATI VEENA VERMA: Will the Minister of URBAN AFFAIRS & EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Maharashtra Government and other State Governments have submitted any action plan for construction of houses for the poor according to the New Housing Policy;

(b) if so, the details thereof, indicating the funding pattern; and

(c) the total number of dwelling units to be constructed in Maharashtra and other States during the first three years 1998—2000 and cost thereof, indicating the Central aid, if any, sought and granted to each State and Union Territory?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN AFFAIRS AND EMPLOYMENT (SHRI BANDARU DATTATREYA): (a) and (b) The National Agenda for Governance envisages shelter to all, particularly the poor people. For this purpose, construction of additional 2 million units every year is proposed out of which 7 lakh per year would be for urban areas. States-wise targets have been fixed and communicated to the State Governments for drawing up their Action Plan. State-wise details have been given in the enclosed statement-I (*See* below).

HUDCO would provide financial assistance for construction of 4 lakh urban and 3 lakh rural units each year in accordance with its financing pattern.

(c) Government of Maharashtra proposes to take up construction of 1,27,400 houses in various urban areas of the State through HUDCO's financial assistance, as part of implementation of National Agenda. The State agencies have as on 31.10.98 submitted 18 housing projects for a loan assistance of Rs. 121.43 crores which would help in construction of 10081 dwelling units in the State.

Similar projects form other States have also been received. Details of schemes in pipeline of HUDCO as on 31.10.98 are enclosed as Statement-II.